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tends to indicate that the future seat of the government of the German Democratic Republic may be Leipzig. The reasons for this measure reportedly are the same as those which influenced the Soviets.

3. On 19 April 1950, a man was arrested in Sebnitz by several police officials wearing civilian clothes. Two Russians in civilian clothes were allegedly in the group of these police officials. The officials together with the man arrested left the scene in two cars which had Thuringian licence plates. Two Soviet officials searched the house of the man arrested on 5 May 1950. It is known that the arrest as well as the house search was ordered by an office in Thuringia, probably in Weimar, Sebnitz on the other hand is located in Saxony.

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[redacted] the transfer of offices of the German Democratic Republic had been planned as early as December 1949. Though postponed a number of times this transfer will now be carried out. Wuhnke is reported to have good connections in the Land Brandenburg Ministry of the Interior.

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25X1 * [redacted] Comment. The K-5 Department was the Secret Police of the Soviet Zone of Germany. Its missions were taken over by the Ministry for State Security and its organs.

25X1 ** [redacted] Comment. Hermann Rentsch was chief of the Hauptabteilung Grenzpolizei und Bereitschaften before the Bereitschaftspolizei was assigned to the Hauptverwaltung fuer Ausbildung (Training Department). No information is available on his present assignment.

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